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PATENT EXAMINING OPERATION

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For: ISOLATED ADULT PLURIPOTENT STEM CELLS AND METHODS FOR
ISOLATING AND CULTIVATING THEREOF**PROVISIONAL ELECTION**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the August 28, 2006 Office Action, Applicants hereby provisionally elect without traverse Group I, claims 1-14, drawn to an isolated pluripotent stem cell from exocrine glandular tissue. In response to the species election requirement, Applicants hereby provisionally elect without traverse acinar tissue from the pancreas as the source of exocrine glandular tissue. All of the claims read on the elected species.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is in good form for initial examination on the merits. Accordingly, prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for initial examination and allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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